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RECOMMENDATIONS RELATING TO AGENDA ITEMS 75, 80 THROUGH 84, 86, AND 87, AGENDA OF OCTOBER 1, 2002

During Budget Deliberations on June 26, 2002, certain Board members introduced a number of motions requesting that estimated fund balance funding be allocated for specific program restorations and enhancements. These matters appear on the October 1, 2002 Agenda as Items 75, 80 through 84, 86, and 87. At this time, we do not recommend that your Board take action on these items.

In our October 1, 2002 letter to the Board on the use of available fund balance in FY 2002-03, we cite a number of budget issues that the County will face in the near future. We also express our concern that the impact of additional State budget cuts and the weak economy are likely to further reduce discretionary funding and available fund balance in FY 2002-03. For these reasons, the recommended use of fund balance included only those items deemed necessary to the efficient operation of County government, provide critical services, to fulfill a legal obligation or reallocate funds already committed to ongoing projects. The above recommendation is consistent with the actions contained in that letter.

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